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TRANSMITTING MOTION CONTROL)
DATA)

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REMARKS

I. U.S. PATENTS

U.S. Patent No. 6,201,996 to Crater et al. discloses an object oriented controller capable of interacting with a remotely located computer. An object manager stores a plurality of objects corresponding to controlled physical objects. A performance engine causes performance of actions and procedures associated with the objects. A communications module facilitates access to a display procedure by the remote computer.

U.S. Patent No. 5,291,416 to Hutchins discloses a system that automatically collects event data of a numerically controlled machine tool. The identity, data, and time of the actual occurrence of an event are stored in nonvolatile memory.

U.S. Patent No. 5,984,499 to Nourse et al. discloses a system for controlling multiple job streams for numerically controlling a machine tool. The system defines a pointer architecture including a vertical data system for facilitating communications between operations in the same job stream and a horizontal data system for facilitating communications between operations in different job streams.

U.S. Patent No. 5,230,049 to Chang et al. discloses a pre-compiler for a programming language. A language dependent portion of the compiler translates supplemental language statements into a language independent format. A language independent portion translates the supplemental language statements in the language into lists of tasks.

U.S. Patent No. 6,286,133 to Hopkins discloses a system for generating code in two or more target languages. For each node of a parse tree generated from a source program, a target language is selected. Different start points are generated for the nodes of the parse tree. Sections of the compiled program are generated in selected target languages based on the nodes and start points.

U.S. Patent No. 5,400,345 to Ryan, Jr. discloses a control mode responsive to a communications bus. The control node comprises test logic for testing the node. The node processes a first class of messages related to predetermined functions and a second class of messages comprising signals for instructing the test logic to test the node.

U.S. Patent No. 6,133,867 to Eberwine et al. discloses a collision avoidance system for movable craft. Operation parameters such as position, velocity, and acceleration of each craft are determined. A controller on each craft generates data packets for storing the operation parameters are transmitted to a remote receiver. Each craft receives from the remote receiver operation parameters to allow collision avoidance potential to be calculated.

U.S. Patent No. 6,065,365 to Ostler et al. discloses a control lever assembly for converting a position of a linearly movable control lever into electrical signals.

U.S. Patent No. 6,247,994 by DeAngelis et al. discloses a system for controlling toy accessories. A central station determines whether a connected accessory is smart or dumb and transmits address and commands based on this determination.

U.S. Patent No. 5,368,484 to Copperman et al. discloses a system for simulating a vehicle. Based on input devices, a modeling system determines position information within a

simulated environment. Feedback is provided to the user through the input device(s) and through a low frequency sound signal.

U.S. Patent No. 5,382,026 to Harvard et al. discloses system for simulating a shooting gallery comprising vehicles that traverse a track through a series of targets.

U.S. Patent No. 5,405,152 to Katanics et al. discloses a system comprising positioning means response to weight shift of a player. A physical response is fed back to the player when a virtual position of one player collides with a virtual position of another player.

U.S. Patent No. 5,766,077 by Hongo discloses a video game system in which characters on a computer video game are both displayed on a screen and represented by robots. The robots resemble and move in conjunction with the corresponding character on the screen. The movement of both screen and robot characters is controlled by a controller.

U.S. Patent No. 5,413,355 to Gonzalez discloses an educational toy in which a three-dimensional animated character is controlled to provide positive or negative feedback in response to correct or incorrect answers.

U.S. Patent No. 5,772,504 by Machiguchi discloses an arcade style driving simulator. A control unit coordinates movement decisions of a player's automobile and general automobiles on the course represented by the simulator. The movement decisions are based on a two-dimensional coordinate system, while the player controls the player's automobile on a three-dimensional coordinate system.

U.S. Patent No. 5,921,780 by Myers discloses a racecar simulator system that establishes wheel movement, chassis movement, and changes in G forces that are similar to those experienced by a racecar driver. The parameters of the system can be changed to accommodate different drivers and/or to simulate different racecars.

U.S. Patent No. 5,625,820 by Hermsmeier et al. discloses a system in which users may elect to decrease object recovery time at the expense of computer performance. Changes to objects are logged, and objects are rebuilt based on the logged changes and rebuild information.

U.S. Patent No. 5,704,837 by Iwasaki et al. discloses a steering system for a video game having first and second steering units and a steering information computing unit. The computing unit generates propulsion and rotation information based on first and second propulsion vectors generated by the steering units.

U.S. Patent No. 5,618,179 by Copperman et al. discloses a simulation system comprising vehicle control input devices and modeling software. The modeling software displays a present route of a simulated vehicle.

U.S. Patent No. 6,080,063 by Khosla discloses a game play system that allows remote players to participate in a live event. The system creates a concurrent simulation of the live event based on sensor inputs. The remote players interact with the concurrent simulation.

U.S. Patent No. 4,829,419 to Hyatt discloses a computer architecture that allows a machine to be controlled directly from the computer without intervening special purpose interface circuitry.

U.S. Patent No. 5,005,134 to Nakashima et al. discloses a numerical control apparatus that stores auxiliary function codes. Execution means for simultaneously executing functional instructions identifying auxiliary function numbers identifying the auxiliary function codes. The auxiliary function codes are updated in response to completion of the auxiliary functions.

U.S. Patent No. 5,802,365 by Kathail et al. discloses a method of configuring a particular device with a device driver. Available drivers are scanned for a name matching the device name. A family having category information that matches the driver is installed. The system attempts to install drivers with the particular device until the device is properly configured.

II. FOREIGN PATENTS

NO NEW FOREIGN PATENT REFERENCES.

III. NON-PATENT LITERATURE REFERENCES

"About CNC Controllers", by Anonymous discloses the basic operation of computer numerical control (CNC) controllers commonly used in industry.

"Intelligent Real-Time Control of Robotic Vehicles", by Payton, published August 1991, ACM.; discloses the concept of Intelligent Real Time Controllers (IRTC) and discusses an example of IRTC in the context of an Adaptive Suspension Vehicle.

Pirjanian and Christensen's "Hierarchical Control for Navigation Using Heterogeneous Models", dated November 1, 1995, discloses a mobile autonomous robot device intended for use in a relatively unstructured environment. The robot device navigates the environment to perform a mission using "skills" that are not specific to the mission and "reacts" to obstructions in the environment using sensors.

Blasvaer and Pirjanian's "An Autonomous Mobile Robot System", published June 8, 1994, discloses a mobile autonomous robot device using a distributed navigation system. Chapter 4 of this reference discloses a software architecture of the navigation system that uses

event based communications. Chapter 6, section 7, of this reference discloses a motion executor adapted to operate in a hardware independent fashion.

Stewart, Schmitz and Khosla's "Implementing Real-Time Robotic Systems Using CHIMERA II", published in 1990, discloses a software system for a motion control system employing a layered hardware platform. The software system provides a communications layer and kernel that hide the complexities of specific communications and hardware implementations.

Paidy and Reeve's "Software Architecture for a Cell Controller", published in 1991, discloses a software architecture for facilitating the integration of manufacturing elements of a computer integrated manufacturing system. The software system comprises a number of software modules that handle order manipulation, scheduling, manufacturing, and support. A data acquisition system collects and stores data related to the manufacturing system.

CONCLUSION

The Applicant respectfully submits that these references, taken alone or in combination, neither anticipate nor render obvious the present invention. Consideration of the foregoing in relation to the pending application is respectfully requested. If there is any matter which could be expedited by consultation with the Applicant's attorney, such would be welcome. The Applicant's attorney can normally be reached at the telephone number below.

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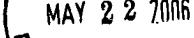
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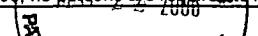
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